



# ***Participation in the Firefighter Combat Challenge***

## **ISSUE**

- **Air Force participation in “Firefighter Combat Challenge”**

## **DISCUSSION**

1. **Race against the clock**
2. **Perform five tasks**
3. **Individual or Team**
4. **Cost effective means to enhance FF physical fitness programs, boost morale, & increase retention**



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- *On Target Communications Inc* sponsors the *Scott Firefighter Combat Challenge* event to showcase the talents, skills, and athleticism of national, as well as international teams of fire and rescue personnel.
  - Racing against the clock, wearing full turnout gear, perform five tasks normally performed at the scene of a fire – five story climb, 50 ft hose raise, axe evolution, 75 ft hose pull and target evolution, and a 100 ft dummy drag.
  - Firefighters may participate individually (male, female, over 40, 50, and chiefs), in a team format, or as a relay.
  - Each year, there are approximately 25 regional events and the world championships at the end of the year.
  - Participation in regional events provides a cost effective opportunity to enhance firefighter physical fitness programs, boost firefighter morale, and potentially increase retention rates throughout the Air Force fire protection community.



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### **RECOMMENDATION**

- **MAJCOM CE'S continue to encourage and support Air Force participation in Firefighter Combat Challenge**
  - Last year; Edwards AFB, Travis AFB, Little Rock AFB, Ramstein AB, and Mildenhall AB were eligible to compete at the World Championships at Las Vegas (Dec 00)
- **HQ AFCESA continue to support efforts by ...**
  - World Challenge Pictures – AF Participants
  - Video (AF News Service and ESPN Footage)
  - Recognizing at Air Force Awards Recognition Luncheon, during the DoD Fire and Emergency Services Conference annually

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- During the past several years, many Air Force fire protection organizations have trained, funded, and actively participated in Firefighter Combat Challenge events
  - Last year, Edwards AFB, Travis AFB, Little Rock AFB, Ramstein AB, and Mildenhall AB were eligible to compete at the World Championships (Nov )
- HQ AFCESA will monitor the *On Target* web site, and identify the Air Force competitors at each event. Based on the results posted on the web site, HQ AFCESA will identify the top Air Force participants in each category. The best Air Force participants at the World Championship (each category) will be recognized at the Air Force Recognition Luncheon during the DoD Fire and Emergency Services Conference each year.

### **Best Air Force performance times at the World Challenge Competition (Nov 00):**

Relay Category: Edwards AFB Team A

Team Category: Travis AFB

Chiefs Category: MSgt Michael Cavilerio (Ramstein AB)

Individual Category: SSgt Michael Melton (Travis AFB)

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# Edwards AFB



# Mildenhall AB





# Ramstein AB



# TRAVIS AFB

